

## Electronic Test For Ailments Is Given Trial Here

**Abrams Method of Diagnosis of Disease Will Be Shown in Public at the Radio Exposition**

A private demonstration of the Abrams method of diagnosing disease by electronic reactions was made yesterday afternoon at the office of Dr. Charles F. Fletcher, osteopathic physician, at 143 West Sixty-ninth Street. The experiment was in preparation for the public tests which are to be made at the forthcoming American radio exposition at the Grand Central Palace.

Dr. Abrams' method, which he partly explained when he lectured in New York in October, is based on the theory that pathological conditions and diseases have characteristic rates of radio-activity, just as colors are known to have. Acting on this assumption, he places a specimen of the blood of the patient whose ailment is to be diagnosed in a dynamometer, which is grounded on one side and on the other grounded on a series of rheostats, passes through a series of electrodes, then is attached by an electrode to the body of a healthy subject, and the body of a healthy subject, and then is grounded again via ground plates on which the subject stands. The ground plates face exactly east and west, so that the subject will be in the magnetic meridian of the earth. In the magnetic meridian of the earth, no electric energy is used.

Various diseases, according to Dr. Abrams, show definite resistances on the rheostats, and, if they are present in the patient whose blood is being tested, will, when the rheostats are properly "tuned," manifest themselves as given areas in the subject's body by sensation of soreness when the part is pressed, by a tightening of the muscles in the locality, by a muffled sound under percussion, and by resistance offered to a glass rod rubbed over the skin of the area.

Blood specimens from two of Dr. Fletcher's patients were tested yesterday by Drs. H. B. Carter and J. B. Butler, who had never examined the

patients in question. The reactions which they discovered in the bodies of two subjects led them to diagnose cancer in one case and incipient consumption in the other, diseases which Dr. Fletcher afterward declared he had discovered in his patients by the ordinary clinical methods.

## Aldermen Test Wits in Play of Puns on Bread

The Board of Aldermen staged another comedy yesterday. It was enacted by the best of the aldermanic troupe.

Alderman Charles A. Buckley introduced a resolution granting permission to the Ward Baking Company to parade advertising automobiles. Alderman Bruce M. Falconer, as the merry jester, objected to the resolution. Several members arose, either to support or "kid" the conscientious objector, when Murray Hulbert, acting as interlocutor, rapped for order. The following lines ensued:

Aldermanic President Hulbert: "There is no reason why every one should rise because we are talking about a baking company."

Alderman Jacob W. Friedman: "There may be some dough in it."

Aldermanic President Hulbert: "Who kneads it?"

An unidentified voice: "All the loafers."

Aldermanic President Hulbert: "All well bred members will sit down."

The standees subsided, with the exception of Alderman Falconer and Alderman Peter J. McGuinness, of Greenpoint.

Alderman McGuinness (to Alderman Falconer): "He doesn't need any bread, he's a cake eater."

Alderman Falconer: "If Alderman McGuinness will step outside for a few moments I'll make him eat his words."

Aldermanic President Hulbert: "Call the roll."

The permit was granted by a vote of forty-six to six.

## In Hurry, He Hurls Case Through Window of Car

Clement Wood, a salesman, living at Hastings-on-Hudson, resolved yesterday to start earlier the next time he sets out to make a train. He was fined \$2 by Magistrate Edgar V. Frothingham, in Jefferson Market Court, for hurling his sample case through the back window of a southbound Seventh

avenue surface car at Seventh Avenue and Thirty-ninth Street, when the conductor failed to open the door to let him in.

Wood had only two minutes to make a train at the Pennsylvania Station; hence his impetuosity. Breaking glass cut the hand of the conductor, Frank Ireland, of 507 West Twenty-seventh Street.

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